

## OFFICIALS TRYING TO COOL HOT TEMPERS AT PONTIAC



**WHITES GATHER:** Rock throwing broke out around Pontiac Central high school Monday afternoon after four white students were shot on a near-

### Two High Schools Are Closed

#### Wounded Boys In Fair Condition

Pontiac, Mich. (AP) — Pontiac's two senior high schools are closed today as school, city and police officials work to maintain peace and to investigate the shooting of four white Central High School students in a racial incident Monday.

The four, all of whom were reported in fair condition with bullet wounds Monday night, were shot near Central High following a verbal confrontation between groups of black and white youths outside the school Monday morning.

The shooting was followed by a rock-throwing showdown involving several hundred black and white students and by a series of running skirmishes between black students and police.

**SEVEN INJURED**

The rock-throwing resulted in seven minor injuries—four to policemen and three to civilians. All were either hit by rocks or cut by flying glass from bottles or broken car windshields.

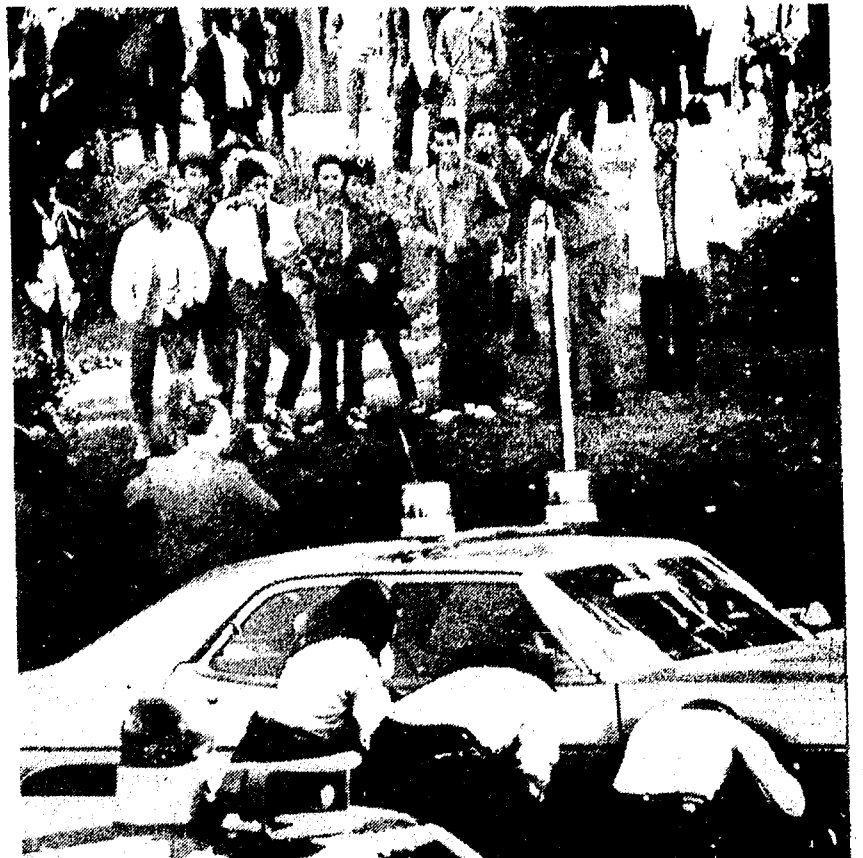
Pontiac police were assisted in putting down the disorders by the Oakland County Sheriff's Department, Oakland County Tactical Mobile Police, Michigan State Police and men from a number of south Oakland County suburban police forces.

Pontiac Central has been the scene of frequent racial disorders in the past. It has 2,178 students, of whom between 35 and 40 per cent are black. Pontiac is an industrial city of 82,223 on the northern edge of the Detroit metropolitan area.

Monday's shootings and ensuing incidents apparently were the result of a fight following a football game Friday night between Central and Saginaw Arthur Hill. The fight, according to police, involved primarily black and white Pontiac students.

According to police and witnesses, about 30 black students and about half a dozen white students gathered on a field near the school Monday morning. The black students reportedly began moving on the whites, and all but four of the whites fled. Words were exchanged—there are conflicting reports as to whether there were any fistfights—and suddenly, apparently without warning, one of the black students began firing a pistol, police said. All four white students apparently were hit as they attempted to flee. All were shot from behind.

The most seriously wounded of the four was Ronald Carswell, 17, who underwent emergency surgery at Pontiac General Hospital for a bullet wound in the liver. John Little, 17, suffered a bullet wound in the buttock with the bullet lodging in his lower abdomen, while Edward Omans and Gary Moore, both 17, suffered shoulder wounds.



**TAKE COVER:** Pontiac police take cover from flying rocks during an afternoon street disorder at Pontiac in which police chased crowds of youths after shootings at Pontiac Central high school. (AP Wirephoto)

### Whirlpool Striker

## Benton Gas Station Worker Murdered

A Benton township gas station attendant was shot to death early last night during an attempted robbery of the station on Territorial road, Benton township police reported.

Killed was William Lester Freeman, 41, of 695 North Euclid avenue, Benton Heights. He was shot in the chest about 9:30 p.m., while tending the Cheker station at 928 Territorial road.

Freeman, a St. Joseph division Whirlpool employee, was working part-time at the gas station while Local 1918, International Association of Machinists (IAM) is on strike.

Det. Raymond T. Frye said the slayer fled the building without taking any money. Sev-

enty-five dollars were found in the breast pocket of the attendant, he said. Nothing else appeared taken.

The body was found in a back room a short time later by two men. When no attendant waited on them, one of the men went into the station and found the body.

Frye said he believed the attendant was shot as he was trying to close the backroom door to escape the armed man. Apparently, Freeman went out the door, then turned around to close it and was hit in the chest by a bullet.

Frye said another shot missed Freeman. A slug was found on the floor after ricocheting off a metal cabinet. Caliber of the bullets was not immediately determined.

A witness reported seeing the attendant confront another man outside the building. The attendant was forced inside and the witness heard two shots, then saw a man jump a fence and flee. The witness had gone to report the shooting when the two men found the body.

The intruder was described as black, wearing a denim jacket and levis, standing about 5 feet 6 inches tall and weighing 145 to 160 pounds.

The attempted robbery is the third in that area in a week. An attendant at the Phillips 66 station, 726 East Main street, was robbed at gunpoint of \$115 last Thursday.

And a woman was robbed at gunpoint of \$28 when she and her husband were closing the Sunoco gas station at Main street and Fair avenue Saturday night. The couple was confronted by two armed men.

who took the woman's purse. Freeman's relatives said he was working part-time at the gas station and at Blossomland Container while Whirlpool was on strike.

#### BHHS GRADUATE

He was born Christmas day, 1928 in Benton Harbor, and was a graduate of Benton Harbor

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### Whirlpool Offer Now In Effect

#### Workers Invited Back To Jobs

Whirlpool's St. Joseph Division announced today that its latest contract offer is now in effect for all employees on the job and will be applied to those who plan to return to work.

A statement from Ron Statz, director of industrial and community relations for the division, said:

"For the present, the plant will continue to be open for those employees already working, as well as for those who plan to return to work. Effective Monday of this week, October 5, the increased wages and benefits included in the Company's improved offer of September 29 will be in effect for all employees."

Today's statement apparently is the one the company announced it would make this week as a result of contract rejection Sunday by the union.

The statement continued:

"We regret that the membership of the IAM Local 1918 rejected, by the narrowest of margins, the company's increased offer for a settlement of the strike now entering its 22nd week."

"This offer also included plans to immediately resume production and bring back all employees as rapidly as possible in accordance with provisions of the contract."

**82 CENTS AN HOUR**

"The revised offer presented to the union committee on September 29 contained increased wages and cost-of-living adjustments totaling 82 cents an hour over a three year period, sickness and accident benefits ranging from \$80 to \$90 per week, pension rate improvements of \$6 to \$7 per month for each year of service, as well as increases in major medical benefits. Further increases for skilled trades of 30 cents and 50 cents an hour were included in the offer. This offer far exceeds those settlements reached by

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### Police Perplexed

## Montreal Calls Off Kidnap Manhunt

MONTREAL (AP) —The Canadian government promised extra protection Monday night for foreign diplomats following Canada's first political kidnapping. But the Montreal police temporarily halted their hunt for the Quebec separatists who took Britain's senior trade commissioner in Canada from his Montreal home Monday morning.

A police spokesman said the manhunt was halted after a ransom note said there must be "no police action" against the kidnapers. "A man's life is at stake," the spokesman said. "We don't want to make the terrorists jittery."

The kidnapping of James Richard Cross, 49, was blamed on the terrorist Front de Liberation Quebecois, the FLQ. The organization seeks Quebec's independence and is believed responsible for scores of bombings in Quebec since 1963.

**POLITICAL PRISONERS**

Provincial Justice Minister Jerome Choquette told a news conference the ransom note demanded that a "certain number of alleged political prisoners" be put aboard a plane for Cuba or Algeria along with \$500,000 in gold bullion by Wednesday morning.

The Montreal Star reported that the note listed 12 prisoners to be freed and said if the demands were not met, "we will not be held responsible for what happens."

The federal and provincial governments apparently had reached no decision on what to do about the ransom demand. "We don't know how to deal with it," Foreign Minister Mitchell Sharp told newsmen in Ottawa Monday night.

Sharp promised that additional protection will be provided for the more than 1,000 foreign diplomats in Canada.

Cross, who came to Canada in 1968 with his wife and daughter, was kidnapped by men who gained entrance to his home in downtown Montreal on the pretext that they were bringing him a birthday gift. Once inside the house, one man pulled a gun



**JAMES R. CROSS**  
Kidnapped Britisher

on the maid and two others entered the diplomat's bedroom, handcuffed him and forced him into a waiting car which bore

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### Truce In Hartford

## Hann Cleared After Agreeing Not To Sue

### Kawneer Workers Vote 'No'

NILES — Striking Allied Industrial workers Union, Local 92, at Kawneer Co. in a secret ballot Monday turned down management's proposed contract settlement by 251 to 71.

Robert Parker, Local 92 president, challenged Kawneer management to return to the bargaining table with another proposal and said the vote Monday indicates the local's members are "disgusted" with what he called interference by outsiders, specifically Niles Mayor Ralph Wagner and the local Chamber of Commerce.

"The vote Monday was held in the American Legion home in Niles."

Kawneer workers have been on strike since May 5 and company officials warned recently they would move some sections to other plants because of the long strike.

Kawneer officials were in a meeting early today and offered no comment on the vote at this time.

**PAW PAW** — A charge that aerial photographer Adolph Hann made a false report of a crime to Hartford police has been formally dropped, after Hann agreed in writing not to press counter charges.

The case against Hann was ordered dismissed by Judge Luther L. Daines, Seventh district, Paw Paw, at the request, filed Sept. 8, of William C. Buhl, Van Buren county prosecuting attorney.

In his request to dismiss the case, Buhl stated that "it appears to be in the best interest of the people not to proceed with prosecution..."

#### SIGNS STATEMENT

Seven days before, Hann had signed a statement in which he stated that he will "...take no legal action or claim against any party

involved in the prosecution of the case of the people of the state of Michigan versus Adolph Hann arising out of a complaint filed June 17, 1970, in Van Buren county. It being further understood that all charges against myself will be dismissed by the prosecutor for the county."

Hartford police charged Hann with making a false report to them. Hann pleaded innocent and was scheduled for a jury trial in September.

Counsel for Hann had charged the arrest was "malicious prosecution" and had threatened to file a "claim" against "the City of Hartford and the police officers involved."

Hann is a commercial photographer whose aerial photos published in this newspaper have made him famous by word among

thousands of readers in Southwestern Michigan. He has been critical of the operations of the Hartford police department.

**ORIGINAL INCIDENT**

Hartford's police chief at that time, Jim Smith, said Hann was arrested after a report was given to a police radio dispatcher on June 5 in which the caller reported a glass-breaking disturbance in downtown Hartford. Smith said officers were unable to confirm the report.

The warrant for Hann's arrest was authorized by Prosecutor Buhl on the basis of a complaint signed by a Hartford police officer, Glen Robinson.

Subsequent to the filing of the complaint against Hann, Smith resigned his post as police chief to take a position with private industry.

AS OF Monday night, police had made no arrests in the shooting. They said their investigation was complicated by the afternoon disorders, which made it difficult for them to locate witnesses and which also required detectives to be diverted to other assignments.

Following the shootings, Central High students were kept in classes until the normal 3 p.m. dismissal time. Principal Don McMillan said that at 3 p.m., about two-thirds of the students who should have been in school were still there. They were dismissed one floor at a time and

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### Unseen Barbs Old Fishing Trip Hooks BH Angler

By ORVIN JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

A Benton Harbor man brought into Fifth District court Monday for a fishing violation answered to a number of other charges including armed robbery.

Robert Whitlock, 38, of 685 East Main street, was brought before Judge John T. Hammond by Conservation Officer George Stuck on a warrant charging that Whitlock fished the St. Joseph river last June without a license. He pleaded guilty and was assessed \$27.

A check of court records indicated there were, in addition, four traffic charges and an armed robbery charge. Whitlock demanded examination on the felony. Judge Hammond set bond at \$5,000.

He is charged with the armed robbery of Alex Katz, 86, and his wife, Jenny, 80, in their Coloma township home on Central avenue. Two armed men bound and gagged the elderly couple last July 21 and stole some \$30.

To three of the traffic charges, Whitlock pleaded guilty and was assessed a total of \$75. A \$100 pre-sentence bond was set after he pleaded guilty to driving while his operator's license was suspended.

## THE HERALD-PRESS

### Editorial Page

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## Who Says There Isn't Recourse Under Law?

The text of Federal Judge George Barlow's sentencing of former Newark, N.J., Mayor Hugh Addonizio and three co-defendants in a \$1.4 million kick-back conspiracy should be read by all those who believe America's legal system is incapable of being critical of established officials.

Said Judge Barlow: "How can we calculate this cynicism engendered in our citizens, including our young people, by these men—and how does one measure the erosion of confidence in our systems of government,

and the diminished respect for our laws, occasioned by these men?—these very men, who, as governmental officials, inveighed against crime in the streets, while they pursued their own criminal activities in the corridors of City Hall?

"Their crimes tear at the very heart of our civilized society and of our form of representative government. The people will not tolerate such conduct."

Bravo, Judge Barlow. And listen, those who would turn to violence while criticizing our system of law.

## Herr Line Is Drawn In Legislative Race

You might say herr line is drawn in the race for state representative from the 106th Michigan district.

Richard Friske of Ellsworth, a John Birch and a member of the German Luftwaffe during World War II, is the regular Republican candidate.

Normally, the seven-county district is strongly Republican. The GOP candidate usually is assured of election.

But this campaign is different. Not only does Friske have a Democrat, Peter C. Johnson of Boyne City, running against him, there's a moderate Republican write-in candidate in the race too. The latter is Glenn Law of St. Ignace.

Friske's opponents say he won

the August GOP primary only because ten other candidates in the race split the moderate vote while Friske gained all the right-wing backing.

The campaign has importance outside the 106th district. The GOP now controls the state Senate, 20 to 18, but Democrats have a majority in the House, 56 to 54. If Republicans could gain only two seats in the November election, that would give the GOP control of the House. Losing a sure seat in the 106th district would seriously hurt the GOP's chances for House control.

Republican observers fear that's just what may happen—with two Republicans running, the GOP vote may be split enough for the Democrat to sneak in.

Friske is in the orchard business. He is proud of his conservative political and economic views, but denies ever having been a Nazi. And he dislikes having his membership in the John Birch Society being made a campaign issue.

While serving in the Luftwaffe, Friske was taken prisoner by the Allies. He emigrated to this country 18 years ago and became an American citizen in 1959.

Immediately after his nomination in the primary, Friske was unable to get any significant GOP endorsement. But things have been looking up for him recently. Just last week a fund-raising dinner was held for him in Bay View, and several GOP bigwigs from the area attended.

## Robbing Taxpayers

Thefts of the American taxpayers' hard-earned tax dollars in the form of stolen aid shipments in foreign countries is not a new phenomenon. It is one of the worst abuses of tax dollars, and one taxpayers have a right to demand be corrected.

Fifteen months ago a major scandal was unveiled in the Defense Department when it was revealed by a Navy fuel inspector that 52 percent of all gasoline sent to Thailand had been stolen. A furor broke out in Congress and resulting investigations widely implied gasoline shipments to other points in Asia were being similarly mishandled.

Following a familiar pattern, the controversy died down before proof of corrective action was forthcoming. Now, two senators, Montoya and Proxmire, charge that safeguards which were supposed to be instituted last July 1 are not working and millions of dollars of petroleum products are still being stolen not only in Thailand but in Taiwan, Vietnam, Laos, Okinawa and the Philippines.

There is a way this wholesale pilferage can be stopped, and that is for Congress to cut the appropriations for such shipments by the percentage independent investigators determine has been stolen. If the recipient countries have been able to get along on the depleted shipments there is no reason why the American taxpayer should be subsidizing black market operations in half of Asia.

Such a move would place the responsibility where it belongs on the recipient to see the aid is used for the purpose intended.

## Octopus?



## GLANCING BACKWARDS

### NILES WOMAN

WINS \$120,000

—1 Year Ago—

Mrs. Dora A. Dankert of Niles wasn't used to winning anything but an occasional door prize at a card party. Then last Saturday a lucky \$3 ticket in the Irish sweepstakes brought her \$120,000.

When notified by telegram, Mrs. Dankert didn't give her matter much notice at first, she said, because of the many small prizes given in the sweepstakes.

### BLOSSOMLAND BRIDGE

REPAIRED . . . AGAIN

Workers are using pneumatic hammers to rip up the cement surface of the Blossomland bridge so that it can be

### WILLIAM RITT

**You're Telling Me!**

New York has already selected the symbol for its celebration, beginning in 1975, of the 200th Anniversary of the Revolutionary War—six cannon balls. With such an early start it looks like that state plans to shoot the works.

Not only in New York, but everywhere in the U.S., the bicentennial binge should go over with a bang.

Cost of living in Chile has risen 29.5 per cent since Jan. 1. That should put the chill on an Chilean!

A Japanese youth who originally planned to sail the Pacific Ocean alone from Osaka to Vancouver, B.C., because of storms wound up in San Francisco. At least he landed on the right continent.

The easternmost points of land in the U.S. is West Quoddy Head in Maine—Factograph item. WEST Quoddy Head!

The way Junior puts it—there are now only 72 more hinting days until Christmas!

Comes now that part of the football season when it will be hard to tell which is the most frayed—the players' uniforms or the coach's nerves.

## BENNET CERF

## Try And Stop Me

A wealthy Minnesotan who was coming into buying Arizona acreage by mail, discovered that he had been royally ripped when he got a look at the virtual desert property he had purchased. Game to the core, however, he wrote back to his son in the Northland. "It looks like a good year for cactus down here, anyhow."

If Kathrin Perutz, who wrote "America's Beauty Culture," is on the beam human hair will be as beautiful and colorful in the early '70's as eyelids were in the early '60's. Chemists have all but perfected a dye that can be applied in the morning and washed off in the evening—or vice versa. In no time flat women—and maybe men, the way things are going—will be watching their hair to their clothes—blue one day, green the next, apricot for a summer evening, and perhaps gingham for a picnic. Me, I found myself looking back longingly to the girls of "Little Women," "Gauguin," and "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm!"

replaced. Michigan State Highway department engineer Paul Perkins of Kalamazoo said a new kind of air-entrained cement will be used in resurfacing the bridge to better withstand extremes of weather. Originally steel reinforcing installed on the bridge was laid too close to the surface. Extensive repair work was conducted two years ago.

### ITALIANS POISED

FOR NEW DRIVE

Massed German bombers, squirmed by innumerable fighting planes, ushered in the fifth week of the siege of London today and spanned England with their bombs but, according to the air ministry, lost 20 planes to the fierce fire of Britain's ground and aerial defenses.

The thrusters at London were parried in a three-hour battle over the coast of Kent, where at least eight attackers were reported shot down.

### HONOR STUDENTS

—40 Years Ago—

Ruth Kramp heads the high

school honor roll at Stevensville for the first month of the school year. In a close race with the Sophomore students were Myra Howard and Rose Emborg, Winifred Howard heads the seniors; Mildred Reznicek, the juniors and Lois Klackle the freshmen.

### SURPRISE

—50 Years Ago—

Nineteen friends of William Alkins surprised him with a party honoring his birthday.

### MORE SERVICE

The Michigan State telephone company is adding two new circuits to Chicago, giving better facilities for handling long distance calls to that city.

### BIG PICTURE

Captain Hughson is displaying a fine photograph of Niagara Falls which was sent to him by a friend. The picture is the largest ever taken of the falls, being 18 by 22 inches in size. It shows the "Maid of the Mist" plying from the American shore into the rapids and the rapid transit and Goat Island.

## EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor,  
The Herald-Press:

### ASKS STAMP HONORING 1898 WAR VETERANS

Why does the Post Office department at Washington refuse to issue a commemorative stamp honoring those who were in our War of 1898?

For over two years I have tried to get the department to issue a stamp for we of 1898. The first answer I got in June '68 was "We have found no place or time to issue a stamp for those in the war of 1898." The same answer has been for all the letters. I have written since then, also the same answer to the Congressmen who took it up in answer to my letters to them (534) asking their help.

Time was found to issue stamps for everything else under the sun—footballs, baseballs, flowers, houses, birds—

just anything but not for we of 1898. We seem to be of no importance, that we did nothing of importance.

The letter I got from a William Dunlap, Sept. 14, 1970, special assistant to the Postmaster General said that our plea for a stamp has not been included in any list for issuing a stamp for we of '98. Again why?

Are we considered unclean as was the class of natives of the old India?

We are few in number now. I think the leaders of our War are all gone now, just some of us little people left now, but if we could get the help of the 1,150,000 veterans in Michigan and the help of those who would represent them in Congress it would mean something.

You see we little fellows made it possible for Gen. McArthur's "I will return"; General Farragut's "Damn the torpedos, go ahead"; Captain Clark of the USS Oregon, "Don't hamper me with instructions"; Lord Cardigan's "Charge of the Light Brigade"; Lord Kitcheson's "Battle of Khartoum"; General Pershing's "LaFayette, we are here"; Admiral Dewey's "You may fire when ready Gridley" and General Eisenhower's ending of the war.

We little fellows of the war of 1898 did our part and we do think it was worth having a stamp granted for us.

We think there should not be any political consideration in the granting of a stamp of 1898. We were not asked our political views when we volunteered for service in 1898.

I would like a stamp showing the Maine as we saw her as we entered the Harbor of Havana. Just show the Maine, an ordinary soldier on one side and an ordinary sailor on the other side and the words, "Remember the Maine!"

Will you who read this help to get the Post Office department to issue a stamp for us of 1898? We need one.

GEORGE S. RICHEY  
Commander A. J. Rabcock  
Camp 20  
United Spanish War  
Veterans  
2021 Lowden  
Flint



### QUICKIES:

A sly character put a worthless slug into a subway scale the other day and silently stole a weight.

Hank Grant laments the fate of a young actor in Hollywood who blew the chance of a lifetime to play the role of Moses in a screen epic. He simply couldn't memorize six of the ten commandments.

## DR. COLEMAN

## .. And Speaking Of Your Health

I was tempted to have my palm read in a tearoom and was given a long discourse about my life. What terrified me was the prophecy about my life line and the diseases I will acquire. Is there any truth to palm reading?

Mrs. S. N., Iowa

Dear Mrs. N.: You are paying one of the penalties for the "medical guidance" that so often is given by palm readers, card readers, star gazers, and measurers of the moon's pull on the Earth. For centuries, people have been caught in the trap of the mysticism that Dr. Coleman surrounds these exploitative interpretations.

No, I do not believe that there is any validity to the estimate of your longevity by a particular line in the palm. It is known that the lines in the palm are fixed and become permanent about five months before a child is born. These, the palm prints and the finger prints never vary thereafter.

The science of dermatoglyphics devotes itself to the study of heredity and the formation of these prints. As yet, the studies need a great deal of confirmation.

A complete medical examination now and at the intervals suggested by your doctor, coupled with his reassurance, will obliterate the fears so unnecessarily implanted in your mind.



What causes sudden attacks of hiccups? They are annoying and embarrassing and go just as quickly as they start.

Mr. H.J.L., Michigan  
Dear Mr. L.: A hiccup is a spasm of the muscles of the diaphragm and an interruption of the normal, regular rate of breathing. These muscles are controlled by the pre-nervous through which signals are relayed from the lungs to the brain.

In most instances, the hiccups you describe occur while eating and follow distention of the stomach with food or air. Long, sustained episodes of hiccuping need extensive studies to find the exact cause.

Some chronic illnesses, drugs, and toxic substances can produce hiccups. The simple methods of getting relief are to hold the breath, to pull the tongue forward or to breathe into a tightly closed paper bag. (Be sure it isn't a plastic bag). Complex hiccups can be controlled in some instances when the doctor passes a thin rubber tube through the nose into the upper part of the throat.

**SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH:** Pink eye is extremely contagious. Active treatment with eye drugs controls the infection.

Dr. Coleman welcomes letters from readers, and while he cannot undertake to answer each one, he will use questions in his column whenever possible and when they are of general interest. Address your letters to Dr. Coleman in care of this newspaper.

## JAY BECKER

## Contract Bridge

East dealer.  
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH			
♠ 10 6 2			
♥ Q J 10 8			
♦ K Q			
♣ A Q 8 5			
WEST			
♠ A Q 3			
♥ K 5 4			
♦ J 10 9 7 2			
♣ 10 3			
EAST			
♠ K 7 5 4			
♥ 7 3 2			
♦ 6 3			
♣ J 9 6 4			
SOUTH			
♠ J 9 8			
♥ A 9 6			
♦ K 8 7			
♣ A 7 2			

The bidding:  
East South West North  
Pass Pass Pass 1 ♣  
Pass 2 NT Pass 3 NT

Opening lead — jack of diamonds.

Good defensive play is largely a matter of assembling the available clues and putting them all together in a meaningful way so as to achieve the best possible result. If you look for them hard enough, the clues are generally there. If you play mechanically, they will all too often be missed.

Take this case where alert defense is required to beat three notrump. West opens a diamond, which dummy wins with the queen.

Declarer leads the queen of hearts from dummy and fi-

nesses, losing to the king, and the question is what West should play now.

If he returns a diamond—the lazy man's play—he learns soon enough that declarer has nine running tricks and that the party is over. He also discovers—alas, too late—that he could have stopped the contract by leading the A-Q and another spade.

Or course, the spade shift is easy enough to find when you see all four hands, but should West be expected to find this shift seeing only dummy's hand and his own?

Let's see what he knows about South's hand after two tricks have been played. South has already shown up—to all intents and purposes—with the ace of diamonds and ace of hearts. He therefore cannot also have both black kings or he would have opened the bidding originally.

South is sure to have one of them for his two notrump bid. If it is the king of clubs, East is bound to have the king of spades—and in that case the ace of spades is clearly the right play at trick three.

If South has the king of spades, the ace of spades play still offers the best chance to beat the contract, since East may very well have four to the jack as well as the king of clubs.

## RUTH RAMSEY

## Today's Grab Bag

### THE ANSWER QUICK!

- 1—Who was the victor at the Battle of Marathon?
- 2—Where was the great surgeon, Sir William Osler, born?
- 3—Who was Lola Montez?
- 4—What bird impales its prey on thorns and sharp sticks for safe-keeping?
- 5—Where was Sigmund Freud born?

### IT HAPPENED TODAY

On this day in 1890 the Mormons abolished polygamy.

**WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE**  
EXPATRIATE — (eks-PAY-tree-ATE) — verb; to banish a person from his native country.

### BORN TODAY

Jenny Lind "put it all together" (as a current commercial has it) in the part of Agatha in Weibull's "Der Freischütz" in 1838.

From that time on, the "Swedish Nightingale" was on her way. By 1841, when she started for Paris, she had already become identified with nearly all the parts in which she was to become famous.

Her first appearance in England was as Alice in "Robert le Diable" in 1847 and her performance created a response that showed that a major personality of the operatic world had arrived.

Her acting ability as much as her voice made Jenny Lind an international celebrity, such a celebrity that the master of hollywood, P. T. Barnum added

her to his stable of performers from 1850 to 1852.

While in Boston, she married Otto Goldschmidt, a German-born composer and pianist, and toured the continent.

For some years after her return to England, her home for the rest of her life, she appeared in oratorios and concerts. In her later years she took an interest in the Bach Choir, conducted by her husband. She was also professor of singing at the Royal College of Music.

The last appearance of the Swedish Nightingale in public was at Dusseldorf in 1870 when she sang "Ruth," an oratorio composed by her husband.

She died in 1887.

Others born today include George Westinghouse, Janet Gaynor and Jack Sharkey.

### YOUR FUTURE

Take care lest you get into a dispute that could cause legal action. Today's child will be a hard worker, but impatient.

### IT'S BEEN SAID

Writers, especially when they act in a body and with one direction, have great influence on the public mind. — Burke.

### HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?

- 1—Milliades.
- 2—Canada.
- 3—An Irish adventures.
- 4—The shrike.
- 5—Frelberg, Moravia.

## Factograph

The record number of kills in jet to jet battles is 15 set by Capt. Joseph McConnell in the Korean War.

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ST. JOSEPH, MICH. TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1970

## BH WATER DEPARTMENT \$22,009 IN BLACK



**DOING THEIR LITTER BIT:** Eighty boys from several Twin Cities Boy Scout troops and Explorer posts spent five hours Saturday morning clearing litter along roads leading into St. Joseph and Benton Harbor. Their efforts turned up one dead skunk and enough litter to fill 200 large plastic bags, provided by Mc-

Donald's on M-139, where they were treated to free noontime meal. The effort was organized as a service project by 10 boys working for higher rank in cooperation with McDonald's and Marv's Used Cars in Benton township. Pictured are members of Troop 8, St. John's Catholic church. (Staff photo)

### Net Income Dips Below Past Year

Revenue From  
Sales Totals  
Over \$400,000

New income for Benton Harbor's water department was \$20,000 less in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1970, than the previous year.

The department operated in the black to the tune of \$22,000, compared to \$42,284 the previous year, according to the annual audit prepared by Herkner, Smits, Miskill & Johnson, CPAs.

The auditor's report said the decrease in net income was caused by increases in payroll and depreciation expenses.

Revenue from sale of water was \$423,097 and net operating income was \$52,023, reduced to \$22,009 by deduction of interest expense.

Bonds totaling \$100,000 were retired during the year, leaving \$1.5 million outstanding in principal and interest.

The city commission received the audit last night. The report on general city operations will be made later this year and a deficit of about \$15,000 has been forecast by City Manager Don Stewart.

#### SECOND REPORT

A report of water department operations was submitted by Superintendent Jack Mulder. It showed more than 1.65 billion gallons were pumped through the distribution system with an average daily rate of 4.83 million gallons.

In other matters: The Rev. W. E. Ellis requested the city act to place crossing guards at dangerous intersections for school children. Mayor Smith explained the city and apparently the school district don't have the money to maintain guards and the city is working with Tri-CAP for assignment of Neighborhood Youth Corpsmen as guards. The Rev. Ellis replied he has been helping children cross the street himself and wasn't worried about the taxes involved for guards because the safety factor is greater.

A yearly dance license was approved for the Skate-O-Rama rink at 453 Highland avenue.

A lease for public housing purposes was approved with Herman and Louise Johnson for a three bedroom house at 1035 Lavette street, \$140 a month.

The commission passed a resolution of sympathy on death of Ray Neary who was a commissioner in the 1950s and had served on the county board of supervisors.

#### BANK PARKING LOT

Stewart said a certificate of completion is due. Inter-city bank for fulfilling its commitment of building a parking lot at the downtown branch on land obtained through urban renewal.

The commission voted to execute a deed with Twin Cities Glass for urban renewal land it is developing on old Michigan street.

A request for rezoning by ARIC Homes was referred to the planning commission. It is to permit a combination office and model home at 588 East Main. A hearing was set Oct. 19 on an ARIC Homes request for variance in the front yard setback at Oden and Highland.

A sign atop at Catalpa and Pavone street was denied with recommendation that hedges be trimmed because they obscure vision.

Permission was granted for house-to-house solicitation Sunday, Oct. 25, by youths participating in United Nations International Children's emergency fund (UNICEF).

Held over was a request by real estate agent Lee Hornack to lease a parking lot at Colfax and Wall. The commission last week approved a lease to Hornack for a lot on Pipestone street.

### Spock Blasts Critics Of Book

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Dr. Benjamin Spock has denounced critics, including Vice President Spiro T. Agnew, who blame his book on child rearing for the current "permissive generation."

"I would be proud if I were responsible for all the young people today who want to end the war and racial injustice," Spock told a news conference Monday. "But I can't take credit for that."



**LAUDED BY BH:** Resignation of Ronald G. Wilson from the Benton Harbor planning commission was announced to the city commission in a letter last night. Wilson, a retired Gast Manufacturing executive, said he expects to be traveling about half the time. He termed his planning commission service "agreeable and satisfying" and noted he had the same address in Benton Harbor 28 years. He was chairman of the planning commission when it was organized in 1956, resigned four years later and then was reappointed. The city commission passed a resolution of commendation for his service.

### Commission Says Light Not Answer

No Need Seen For  
Napier-Miami  
Traffic Signal

Berrien County Road commission has informed St. Joseph township trustees a traffic light is not the answer at the corner of Napier avenue and Miami road in Fairplain.

Edwin Brink, chairman of the township police and safety committee, reported the letter from Heath P. Calvin, engineer-manager of the road commission last night. Two months ago Miami road residents asked for a survey of traffic on Napier at Miami as the first step in eliminating what residents say is a dangerous situation.

Motorists making either a right or left turn off Miami complain of being unable to see approaching traffic on Napier. Calvin said the road commission had made a study of accidents at that corner from 1967 to 1970. There were nine accidents and over half were rear-end collisions. Calvin reported. Continued Calvin: "With 14,000 cars per day on Napier and 3,800 per day on Miami road there is no indication for traffic control at the intersection."

#### HIGH SPEED

There have been three accidents east of the intersection caused by high speed and improper passing. In view of these accidents we have erected a night arrow and curve signs to warn speeding night-time drivers of the curve east of the intersection."

Trustees wrangled for a half hour on what to do with falling leaves. Supervisor Orval Benson said residents will have to dispose of their own leaves. Burning the leaves is ruled out. This not only pollutes the air but it causes difficulty between neighbors, he said. Bundling them up in plastic bags is also out. Benson said if the trash collector was required to pick up leaves there would be no room left for anything else.

Trustees agreed to take the subject up at the Oct. 19 session.

Trustees inspected a sign erected by Carlos Bassett, 1030 Colfax, Benton Harbor in front of his Flavour Crisp Chicken house. After viewing the sign, which had been erected without a building permit, trustees ordered it removed and then instructed Bassett submit a new proposal.

#### PROGRAM OUTLINED

A \$300,000 drain program was outlined by Township Engineer Charles Barger. It will drain an area between Cleveland and Washington streets in the township.

Township Building Inspector Harold Morrison reported permits for six houses costing \$152,000 and 14 alterations totaling \$92,000, made September totals \$244,000 compared to \$87,750 in August and \$876,763 for the year to date.

#### PROBLEM RESOLVED

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A judge has worked out a way for student Randy Simon to keep his shoulder-length hair and still satisfy Robert Morris College's code of attire. Randy's going to buy a wig.

### 'NO FIXED RULE'

## Appeals Court Rejects New Trial In '68 Case

The trial judge faces no fixed rule on what he may say about certain aspects in trial and is permitted to comment on the evidence, the Michigan Court of Appeals has ruled in turning down an appeal for new trial by a 28-year-old former Benton Harborite.

The appeals court turned down the appeal of Bobby Albert Withrow, serving a 6 to 10-year sentence set in 1968 by Berrien Circuit Judge Karl F. Zick following a jury conviction for breaking and entering.

Withrow's appeal before the high court claimed Judge Zick erred in certain comments to a jury allegedly casting doubt on the credibility of Withrow's defense, which was that Withrow was an amphetamine addict and didn't know what he was doing during the time of the break-in.

"While we agree with the general rule that a trial judge should refrain from giving the jury his impression on the merits of the defense," the appeals court decision said, "we find no fixed rule on what he may or may not say. . . . We note, additionally, that under GCR 1963, 516.1 (a court rule) the trial judge is permitted to comment on the evidence."

"Upon reviewing the whole trial record, including the wide latitude granted the defendant himself in giving testimony, we are of the opinion that Judge Zick's comments in the instant matter were not so serious in discrediting the defendant's theory of defense so as to constitute reversible error."

## Way Cleared For Construction Of SJ's Park Street Viaduct

Work on a new Park street viaduct is set to begin in the next 30 days following the awarding of a contract last night by the St. Joseph city commission.

The contract went to Canonic construction company of South

Haven at \$195,509.75. With additional engineering and inspection costs, the new viaduct will cost the city an estimated \$213,827.69, according to City Manager Leland Hill.

Canonic construction company was the sole bidder for the job

in August but their original price was \$247,895.50, or some \$45,000 above estimates. Negotiations with the firm, Hill said, resulted in a lowering of the price.

Changes include a different kind of piling and a reduction in the amount of reinforced steel, both still within state highway specifications, Hill said. In another effort to reduce costs, the city will install sewer and manholes.

Hill presented the revised contract with a recommendation for approval from the city's engineers, Conser, Townsend & Associates of Chicago.

Voters last April voted to assess themselves six-tenths of a mill to finance a new viaduct to replace the present worn-out structure. The bond issue raised \$210,000. Hill last night estimated that interest earned by the \$210,000 would bring the city close to his estimate of \$213,827 total cost.

Traffic will be barred from the viaduct as soon as work begins and probably will not be

readmitted until mid-summer, 1971.

In other business, the commission set this week as Punt, Pass and Kick week and welcomed six winners of local competition last Saturday at Dickinson stadium. Present with Chairman Clint Nash were Scott Wolff, 13; Kyle Lorton, 12; Kevin Lorton, 11; Eric Wolff, 10; Mark Nidiffer, 9; and Cary Coleman, 8.

This Saturday the boys will face competitors from other parts of southwestern Michigan. Punt, Pass and Kick is an individual football competition sponsored by the Ford Motor company.

Mayor W. H. (Duke) Ehrenberg referred to the city manager Bob Barker of 806 Lions Park drive, who favored the establishment of a recreational club for "teenagers with no place to go." The mayor said there already are many activities in the city for teenagers.

Commissioners also: Approved use of the band shell as a destination for a snake dance by St. Joseph high school students as part of their homecoming festivities this week.

Passed a resolution for street sale of tulip bulbs Oct. 10 by the Twin Cities Civitan club.



**'WOE IS ME':** This little lady contemplates her chances of landing in a good home while a temporary guest at the Berrien Humane Society shelter, 641 South Crystal avenue. She's a year-old and guaranteed not to eat you out of house and home because she's Chihuahua and Manchester Terrier mix. The shelter has many kinds of dogs and cats available for adoption. (Staff photo)

### IN LAKESHORE

## Jaycees Plan Sunday Model Airplane Show

Lakeshore Jaycees will host the Twin City Whirlwinds at a model airplane show Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Lakeshore high school football field.

The Whirlwinds will give a complete demonstration in the art of flying radio controlled model airplanes along with competition matches between the members.

Admission will be 25 cents per person with plenty of parking facilities. A refreshment wagon will be available to the spectators.

### EVENT TONIGHT

## Parents To Be Spared Homework At SJ High

There will be no homework for parents attending the annual back-to-school night at St. Joseph high school starting at 7:30 p.m. tonight.

Assistant Principal Jon Schuster said parents will follow the same course through the school day that their student sons and daughters take. Classes, however, will be only 10 minutes long.

Parents will assemble in the auditorium for instructions before starting out to visit classes. While there will be no homework assigned Schuster said, the experience will prove valuable for parents when problems might arise the rest of the school year.

### Lost Eyes In Crash

## Funds Being Raised For Illinois Woman

A "Laurie Snyder fund" has been established in Naperville, Ill., for the 20-year-old woman who lost her eyeballs in an auto accident last August on I-94 near Coloma.

Contributions to the fund will be used for medical and educational expenses. Miss Snyder was scheduled to leave Edward hospital in her hometown of Naperville late last month. She is recovering from extensive facial surgery.

Before the accident, Miss Snyder was employed by the Florheim Shoe company in Chicago. Now she wants to learn Braille and go on to college.

The fund to aid Miss Snyder is sponsored by The Naperville Sun newspaper and deposited at the Naperville National Bank and Trust company. Persons wishing to contribute may contact the bank.

Laurie's mother, Muriel, works in the medical records

section of Edward hospital. Her family also includes three sisters and a brother. Her father, Dale Snyder, died in 1969.

Word of the fund reached this newspaper through Angelina Gale of Lakeside, who for 38 years counseled students at Central high school in Naperville. Miss Gale retired in 1964 and never knew Miss Snyder, who was graduated in 1968, but says she intends to contribute to the fund.

Miss Snyder was injured Aug. 4, when the car she was riding in slammed into an abutment. The impact jarred both eyeballs from their sockets.

### School's Out For Parley

EAU CLAIRE—There will be no school for children attending the Grace Evangelical Lutheran school in Eau Claire Wednesday through Friday, according to Principal Ronald Manthe.

Manthe said he and the other teacher Miss Donn Ripke will be attending the Michigan District Teachers conference at St. Matthews Lutheran school in Benton Harbor through the end of the week.

Manthe also reported the official enrollment of the school this year is 84 students in grades kindergarten through eight.

### DEC. 1 DEADLINE

## Clean Up Or Close, 3 Hagar Firms Told

RIVERSIDE — Three Hagar township businesses were ordered to clean up their premises or close their doors at Monday night's regular meeting of township board.

The businesses are Joseph Poldna's gas station on Blue Star highway north of Foltawatic park, Ace Selvik's garage at Lake Michigan Beach, and Lester William's service station on Coloma road at I-160.

The three were given until Dec. 1 to correct what the board termed unsightly places of business.

Smith and Schaller construction company, Berrien Springs, was given permission to combine two lots in Beechwood Hills Estates subdivision and to build five two-family units.

Paul Korlikowski, representing the Coloma Cooperative canning company, requested that 37 acres of land at Coloma be rezoned from agricultural-residential to industrial. The township board tabled the request for study.

Michigan and Indiana Electric company was granted permission to cross township roads with power lines.

ST. JOSEPH, MICH., TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1970

## BRIDGMAN OBJECTING TO CROSSING LIGHTS

Dowagiac  
Loses Grant  
For LibraryState Move  
Follows Local  
Voter Rejection

DOWAGIAC — An offer of \$165,795 in federal funds to help construct a new library has been withdrawn, Dowagiac city council was told Monday night.

A letter from state librarian Francis X. Scannell informed the city of the loss of a grant by the state board of education which had been given March 26, 1969.

The grant involved federal Hill-Burton funds, administered by the state board of education. The grant would have amounted to about a third of the total anticipated cost of the proposed new library.

The state librarian's letter reminded the city that the grant was contingent on the start of construction within six months of the approval.

## VOTER REJECTION

Since the grant was announced, city voters voted against both the selection of a site and the issuance of bonds to finance the new construction.

The city had already purchased a half city block on Green street between west Division and Courtland streets. At the council meeting Monday the property was zoned from its public facility category to a "B" residential zone. Plans for the land were not discussed.

In a final action concerning the library, a new librarian was named to replace Mrs. Claire Bates who recently resigned to accept a similar post in another city.

Named as her replacement in Dowagiac was Mark Ames, route 1, Dowagiac, who is presently working towards a master degree from Western Michigan university. Ames is a son of former librarian Dorothy Ames. He will be paid \$6,800 per year. The appointment was recommended by the city's library board.

## ADDITIONAL MATTERS

In other business the council honored Max Shingledecker, retired head of the street and bridge department, with gifts and short speeches. A gift from the employees of his former department was also presented, along with the framed proclamation that officially set aside the day of his retirement as "Max Shingledecker Day."

Three men were appointed to the board of public utilities: W. R. Stolley, to serve until May, 1972; Jerrold MacDonald, to serve until May, 1971; and LeRoy Cox, reappointed to succeed himself for a five-year term.

Ivan Gwilt was appointed to the personnel board to serve to May, 1971. The resignation of Paul Cohen from the human relations board was accepted.

Republicans  
Will Open  
Niles Office

Various state, county and township Republican officials are expected to be on hand for the opening of a Republican campaign office in Niles at noon Saturday.

The office, located at 310 East Main street, will be open daily and will be operated by Mrs. Doris Casperson.

## MEETINGS SCHEDULED

Buchanan Twp. Folks  
Can Air Their Gripes

BUCHANAN—Residents of Buchanan township will have an opportunity each month to present their problems to the township board.

The board last night voted to hold a second meeting each month for the specific purpose of allowing township residents to bring problems before the board.

The board now holds its regular meeting on the first Monday of the month. The second meeting will be held on the second Tuesday after the first Monday of the month. Both meetings will begin at 7 p.m.

## TRAINING SCHOOL

In other business, the board voted to have a training school for election workers because Buchanan township is the only township in the county still using paper ballots.

Clerk Clayton Spaulding is to contact County Clerk Forrest H. Kosterke and ask him to set a date for such a training school and to select an instructor.

The township has four voting precincts and will need 26 election workers for the general election Nov. 3.



NEW ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: Conferring on an electrocardiogram at the Andrews university medical center, Berrien Springs, are Dr. K. Robert Lang (left), director of the center, and Dr. Herald Allen Habenicht, Jr., who has been appointed assistant director. Habenicht is a 1954 alumnus of AU and holds an M.D. degree from the Loma Linda university school of medicine. His specialty is pediatrics.

## For First Phase

Bridgman Seeking  
High School Bids

BRIDGMAN — Bids for construction of the first phase of Bridgman's \$3.5 million high school will be advertised to contractors.

The Bridgman board of education moved last night to let the bids on the first phase that involves construction of the academic classroom center in the school. Other phases will be added later.

No due date for the bids was announced.

In other business last night the board:

- Selected the Industrial State bank, Kalamazoo as depository for the 1970 building and site fund and the Farmers and Merchants Bank, Bridgman, as depository for the 1970 debt retirement fund.

- Hired Daniel Madejczyk as a social studies teacher and Miss Wendy Trembath as a continual progress classroom teacher. Madejczyk is a 1970 graduate of Wayne State university and Miss Trembath is a 1970 graduate of Michigan State university.

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City Says  
It Can't  
Pay ShareWarning Systems  
Ordered After  
2 Persons Die

BRIDGMAN — The Bridgman city commission will send a formal objection to installation of warning flashers at a pair of railroad crossings in the city to the State Public Service Commission.

The commission last night voted to send the objection to the PSC and ask for a formal hearing on the proposed installation of the flashers.

The PSC has recommended the flashers for the Chesapeake and Ohio track crossings on Baldwin road and Rambo road.

The crossing lights were requested following deaths of two persons in car-train collisions at the crossings this year.

## CLOSING RECOMMENDED

Two PSC inspectors in September recommended that the Rambo road crossing be closed, or as an alternative, that the approach to the tracks be raised to almost level with the tracks. The inspector had said they would wait until the city commission's meeting last night before a formal hearing would be scheduled.

In September, Mayor Lester Krumie had said it was the lack of funds for the project, not concern, that prompted the city's objection to the installation. It had been earlier reported that the city's share would be \$17,500 for the work. The railroad would pay an identical share.

The Lake township board Monday went on record as opposed to the closing of the Rambo road crossing.

In other business, commissioners expressed concern over the city's lack of a police chief. The city has been without a police chief since late August when Neil Teske resigned to become chief of police at Hartford.

## APPLICANTS INTERVIEWED

Some applicants have been interviewed and more interviews still are to be held. Commissioners voted to recess the meeting until the additional interviews could be held and to hold a special meeting before Oct. 23.

Before the meeting was recessed the commission:

- Voted to have the city engineer approve easements and specifications for the new high school.

- Referred to the police commission complaints of open burning of trash in the business district.

- Learned that the new fire truck will arrive Oct. 16.

- Designated the week of Oct. 26 as fall clean up week.

- Designated the circle portion of Karen court for one-way traffic.

- Granted permission to Michigan Sports Buggy association to hold a hill climb on property along Red Arrow highway upon receipt of a letter of approval by the property owner.

Car Swept  
By Flames;  
Pair Unhurt

NEW BUFFALO—A New Buffalo man and his daughter escaped injury last night when fire swept through their car as they were driving in the 200 block of West Detroit street.

New Buffalo firemen said Neal Mason, 27 South Barton street, New Buffalo, and his daughter, Teresa, 16, were driving down the street at about 8 p.m. when the engine compartment burst into flames. Mason and his daughter jumped from the car and within a few minutes the entire car was engulfed in flames, firemen said.

Mason told firemen he had just had the car overhauled and repaired for his daughter.

## CRUSHED TO DEATH

MARSHALL (AP)—A 68-year-old farmer was crushed to death Monday by a tractor about three miles south of Marshall. The victim was Edward Sumner of Marshall. The Calhoun County Sheriff's Department said Sumner was traveling along U. S. 27 when the tractor apparently struck a road sign and overturned. He fell underneath.



OPEN DEMOCRATIC HEADQUARTERS: Four Democratic candidates for state and national offices were on hand Monday for grand opening ceremonies at the party's county campaign headquarters, 211 Territorial road, in Benton Harbor. From left to right are: Miss Margaret Crisnal, Benton township, candidate for 44th district state representative; Richard Austin, Detroit, candidate for secretary of state; David R. McCormack, Niles, candidate for Fourth district congressman; Paul C. Clark, Niles, candidate for 22nd district state senator. (Staff photo)

## Total Hits 2,434

Twin Cities Schools  
Lead LMC Enrollment

Of the regularly - enrolled 2,434 Lake Michigan college students, the greatest numbers come from Benton Harbor, St. Joseph, Lake Michigan Catholic, Coloma, and Lakeshore high schools, according to figures released today by the LMC office of admissions.

Thomas McCourt, LMC admissions director, said 537 students are from Benton Harbor high school; 287 from St. Joseph high, 145 from Lake Michigan Catholic, 132 from Lakeshore, and 103 from Coloma.

Other area high schools and the number of their graduates currently attending LMC are: Berrien Springs, 65; Brandywine, 15; Bridgman, 51; Buchanan, 36; Eau Claire, 31; Galien, 10; New Buffalo, 23; Niles, 55; River Valley, 67; Watervliet, 66; Covert, 17; and South Haven, 58.

Only 149 students are from out of the LMC district and only 11 are from out of state. McCourt indicated that this was a decline in both categories from last year.

Of the total, 1,395 LMC students are men and 1,038 are women; 1,412 are freshmen; 1,901 are working for academic degrees; 1,246 are full-time students taking 12 semester hours or more of academic work; 1,112 are day school only students; and 271 are students from minority groups.

Club President Dave Vollrath said that parents of new members may also attend the October meeting.

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Austin Eyes  
Crackdown  
On DriversDemocratic  
Hopeful Stumps  
In BerrienBy SANDRA ENGLE  
Staff Writer

Highway death tolls would be lessened if stricter driver license examinations were adopted in the state says Richard Austin, Democratic candidate for secretary of state.

Campaigning throughout Berrien county yesterday, Austin promised to seek ways to tighten driver exams for people applying for license renewal and those who have drunk driving records.

"We're losing 55,000 people a year on our nation's highways and 35,000 of those deaths are alcohol related. I'd like to find a way to discover these drunk drivers before they're involved in accidents, become corpses or drivers charged with a serious violation of the law," he said.

Austin, 57, Wayne county auditor, also gave his support to the 18-year-old vote and modernized election laws.

"Directly related to my secretary of state candidacy are the issues of traffic safety and updated election laws. I feel there is the need to tighten license examinations, analyze past driving records and use anti-abuse drugs on convicted drunk drivers that would make them too sick to drive if they were drunk," Austin said.

Narrowly defeated in his 1969 bid for mayor of Detroit, Austin is opposed for the secretary's seat by State Sen. Emil Lockwood, Republican from Elm Hill.

Austin said there were experiments being conducted in the state that might help detect ways to intercept drunks before they drive. He cited the anti-abuse drugs.

Promising to use his office to update voter registration and other election laws, Austin said red tape could be cut and easier laws for registration could be put into effect.

"That way more of the disadvantaged would be able to vote."

VOTING BY TEENS  
Favoring the 18-year-old vote that will be on the November ballot, he says it would encourage young people to join the democratic process.

"It might be one way for them to seek changes within the system instead of going outside to seek change," he said.

Born in Alabama and a Detroit resident for 46 years, Austin has been backed by incumbent Secretary of State, James M. Hare who is retiring.

Austin, a certified public accountant who was a delegate to the Michigan Constitutional Convention, was Michigan's first black CPA.

He said he has had a beautiful reception from voters while campaigning throughout the state. He met with students at Lake Michigan College yesterday and with Auto Specialties employees. A "Meet Richard Austin" session was set at the UAW hall and at Seely McCord school last night.

BAINBRIDGE

Fire Service  
Contract  
Discussed

A delegation from the Sister Lakes fire department and members of the Bainbridge township board discussed fire protection during the board meeting last night.

Six sections of Bainbridge township are served by the Sister Lakes fire department. The discussion centered around a contract for the fire department to serve the area for another year.

Work on the contract is expected to be completed next month.

Ladder Slips,  
Man Killed

ESCANABA (AP)—A 34-year-old Escanaba man was electrocuted Monday while attempting to cut down a large tree near an electric power line.

Dale Krebs, 34, of Escanaba, was propping an aluminum ladder against the tree when the ladder slipped, striking a 1,200-volt power line.



DR. JERRY L. MCKIMNEY